

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

UNITED STATES

v.

MAURICE DOUGLAS

*

*

*

*

*

*

CRIM. NO. 21-608

**ORDER REGARDING USE OF VIDEO CONFERENCING/TELECONFERENCING
FOR FELONY PLEAS AND/OR SENTENCINGS**

In accordance with Standing Order 2020-06, this Court finds:



That the Defendant (or the Juvenile) has consented to the use of video teleconferencing/teleconferencing to conduct the proceeding(s) held today, after consultation with counsel; and



That the proceeding(s) to be held today cannot be further delayed without serious harm to the interests of justice, for the following specific reasons:

(1) the on-going COVID-19 pandemic; (2) the limitations and restrictions on in-person proceedings at this time; (3) Defendant's specific desire to proceed with this plea hearing remotely to advance the resolution of this case; and (4) consent of Defendant.

Accordingly, the proceeding(s) held on this date may be conducted by:



Video Teleconferencing



Teleconferencing, because video teleconferencing is not reasonably available for the following reason:



The Defendant (or the Juvenile) is detained at a facility lacking video teleconferencing capability.



Other:

Date: March 23, 2022



Honorable Brian Martinotti
United States District Judge